

**No. PD-0174-17**

**IN THE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS**  
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**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

**APPELLEE**

**V.**

**RICARDO ZUNIGA**

**APPELLANT**

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**APPELLANT'S SECOND MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE  
REPLY BRIEF**

TO THE HONORABLE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS,

Appellant moves this Court to grant an extension of time to file Appellant's Reply Brief. In support of this motion, Appellant would show the following:

- a. The deadline for filing Appellant's Brief is August 22, 2017.
- b. Appellant requests an extension of 20 days until September 11, 2017.
- c. This is Appellant's second request for an extension to file Reply Brief.
- d. Counsel requests an extension for the following reasons:
  1. Counsel is currently in a jury trial which began on August 14, 2017, in the case styled *State v. Lopez*, cause number 20140D06162, out of the 34<sup>th</sup> District Court in El Paso County, Texas. The trial is ongoing and is expected to last at least through August 23, 2017. Defendant is charged with engaging in organized criminal activity

and is facing a possible sentence of 25 years to life in prison. If Defendant is convicted, trial may last until August 25, 2017.

2. Counsel is preparing for a specially set jury trial on August 28, 2017, in the case styled *State v. Mendoza*, cause number 20130D03082, out of the 205<sup>th</sup> District Court in El Paso County, Texas. This case was set for August 7, 2017 but was continued for 3 weeks because of a missing witness and counsel's specially set trial described above. Counsel also anticipates this trial to take at least a week as there are many witnesses and defendant is also potentially facing 25 years to life in prison. Defendant is charged with aggravated assault.

3. Counsel is preparing Appellant's Brief to the Eighth Court of Appeals in the case styled *State v. Jurado*, cause number 08-17-00010, which is currently due on September 8, 2017.

4. Counsel submitted Appellant's Brief to the Eighth Court of Appeals in the case styled *State v. Cedillos*, cause number 08-14-00180-CR on August 1, 2017.

## PRAYER

Appellant prays the Court grant this motion and extend the deadline for filing Appellant's Reply Brief to September 11, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

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I certify that a copy of Appellant's Motion for Extension of Time to File Appellant's Reply Brief was sent by email, through an electronic-filing-service provider, to Tom Darnold, [tdarnold@epcounty.com](mailto:tdarnold@epcounty.com) and, the State Prosecuting Attorney, [information@SPA.texas.gov](mailto:information@SPA.texas.gov).

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